

then the same shall be distributed among the poor of the immediate neighborhood, in quantities of not more than twenty pounds to any one family, or individual not a member of a family, by such commissioner, warden, prosecutor, or magistrate or magistrates. If such meat cannot be conveniently sent or distributed as provided by this section, then it shall be the duty of all or any of such officers to destroy the same, under a penalty of twenty dollars for each omission or neglect to do so. The skin and horns shall be forfeited, and shall be branded or marked by such officers under a like penalty; and the same shall be forwarded to the Game and Inland Fishery Protection Society of Nova Scotia, or their agents, to be disposed of as they may think fit.

6. Whenever any person shall make affidavit before a stipendiary magistrate, or before a justice or justices of the peace, that he has reason to suspect, and does suspect that moose or caribou hides, or any portion of the carcass of a moose or caribou killed during the close season, are concealed on the premises of any person, it shall be lawful for such stipendiary magistrate, justice or justices to cause a search warrant to be issued, authorizing the person to whom it is addressed, to search such suspected premises, and to seize and take away any such hides, or any portion of the carcass of a moose or caribou found therein, and to be dealt with according to law.

7. No person shall set, or attempt to set any snare, or trap, or pit for the destruction of moose or caribou, under a penalty of not less than twenty-five, nor more than fifty dollars for each offence; and any person finding any such snare or trap may destroy the same. The possession of any such snare or trap shall be presumptive evidence of the attempt of the person in whose possession it is found, to set the same for the destruction of moose or caribou.

8. Any person who shall hereafter hunt or chase, or kill or pursue with intent to kill, any moose or caribou, with dogs, shall be liable to a fine of twenty-five dollars in addition to any penalties to which he may be otherwise liable under this act.

Beavers, Hares, etc.

9. No person shall kill or pursue with intent to kill, or set or maintain any trap for any beaver, or shall expose for sale, or have in his possession, any beaver skin, or other part of any beaver killed in this Province, save in the months of November, December, January, February and March, in any year, under a penalty of not less than ten, or more than fifteen dollars for each offence, to be recovered and applied in the manner prescribed by the twenty-first section.

10. No person shall kill or pursue with intent to kill any hares or rabbits, or shall expose for sale, or have in his possession, any hares or rabbits between the first days of March and October in any year. No snares shall be set for hares or rabbits during such period, and all snares shall be taken up during the same. The making, placing, erecting, or maintaining any hedge, or other obstruction, or structure of a greater length in the whole than fifty feet, in connection with, or adjoining, or between any snare or snares, or the making, placing, erecting, or maintaining any such hedge or other obstruction or structure without a clear space of at least one hundred feet intervening between it and any other, shall also be a violation of this section; and any snare,